Nutrition Services Division Management Bulletin

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FROM: Commodity Distribution Unit, Food Distribution Program

ATTENTION: Food Service Directors

SUBJECT: Pack Size Change for Ground Beef

This management bulletin transmits information regarding the United States Department of Agriculture's decision to change the pack size of ground beef from 36 to 40 pounds. USDA is making this change because 40 pounds is the industry standard, and industry requested this change.

This change will affect processors who backhaul ground beef from our warehouse system and any agency ordering USDA ground beef. However, this change will not affect the direct shipment of 60 pound cases for processing.

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